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### REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the thorough examination of the present application as evidenced by the final Office Action dated August 2, 2006.

Applicants appreciate the indication that Claims 1, 4-6, 10, 13-15, 17, 18, 21, 24-29 and 32 are allowed. Claims 16, 33 and 34 stand rejected. Applicants have canceled, without prejudice, Claims 16, 33 and 34 herein. Accordingly, upon entry of the present Amendment, Claims 1, 4-6, 10, 13-15, 17, 18, 21, 24-29 and 32 are pending in the present application. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited and encouraged to direct any questions or concerns regarding this matter to the undersigned, who may be reached at (919) 854-1400.

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